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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: DCI Briefing of Subcommittee on Intelligence of House
Armed Services Committee - 30 January 1974

1. On 30 January 1974, the Director appeared before the Intelligence Subcommittee of House Armed Services to give them a postmortem briefing on the Middle East situation. The meeting lasted from 1000 hours until 1200 hours. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] A transcript was taken and a copy is on file in the Office of Legislative Counsel. Discussions included SI and TK material.

2. Present from the Subcommittee were:

Lucien N. Nedzi (D., Mich.), Chairman
F. Edward Hebert (D., La.)
Melvin Price (D., Ill.)
William G. Bray (R., Ind.)

3. Present from the Subcommittee staff were:

Frank Slatinshek
William Hogan

4. Accompanying the Director were:

Major General Daniel O. Graham, D/DCI/IC
[REDACTED] C/ME Division, OCI
[REDACTED] IC Staff
Mr. George L. Cary, Legislative Counsel

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5. Before starting the scheduled briefing, Chairman Nedzi said he was concerned and interested about reports in the news media relating to tapes of conversations which Agency officials might have had which might pertain to Watergate. The Director said he had some preliminary information on this which he presented to the Committee. The Chairman then said he would like the Director to provide him with an index of all known tape recordings, transcripts of any of those recordings which were available and a description of the procedure that was utilized in the destruction of these tapes.

6. The Director then proceeded to the Middle East postmortem briefing. Of particular interest was a comment by the Chairman that when DIA briefed the Subcommittee on the same topic they indicated that drastic action had been taken against some of the personnel involved in the assessment of the Middle East crisis. He wondered if the Director found any need for a shake up of Agency personnel. The Director said he thought the fault at CIA was in the system and not with the personnel involved. Therefore his action was concerned with revising the system itself.

7. Follow up action:

a. Chairman Nedzi's request for an index of all known tape recordings, transcripts of any of those recordings which were available and a description of the procedure that was utilized in the destruction of these tapes.



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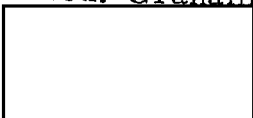
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